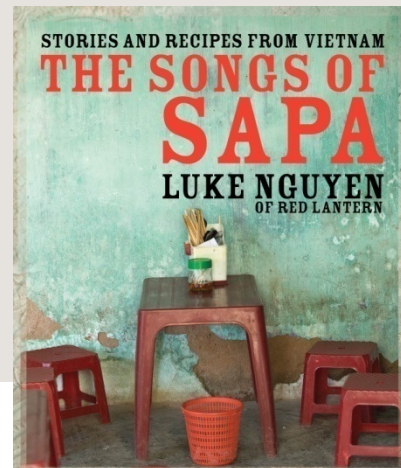


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Description

Luke Nguyen, of *Secrets of the Red Lantern* fame, is going home. Travelling on a personal and culinary tour through Vietnam, Luke visits his family and friends, and is invited into the homes of local Vietnamese food experts and cooks, to learn more about one of the richest, most diverse cuisines in the world.

Starting in the northwest of Vietnam, in the villages and hills around Sapa, Luke explores the roots of traditional cooking. Moving south, he travels to the capital, Hanoi, renowned for its French-Vietnamese cuisine. He explores the imperial cooking of Hue, discovers the famed cau lau noodles in Hoi An, and tastes a host of simple seafood dishes of coastal Nha Trang and Quy Nhon, his journey culminating in Saigon, where he is reunited with family.

The Songs of Sapa is a vibrant, visual essay of Luke's journey, the stories and recipes from each region, with stunning photographs bursting with colour and texture, capturing the beauty of Vietnam, her people and their deep connection to food.

Sales Points

- A fascinating cookbook and culinary journey by the co-author of the bestselling *Secrets of the Red Lantern* (ISBN 9781740459044, RRP \$65.00, over 23,000 copies sold)
- Vibrant photography, shot entirely in Vietnam, make this book appealing to both armchair travellers and cooks interested in original Vietnamese food
- The book features more than 100 regional Vietnamese recipes
- 10-copy stockpack available (9787777005070, RRP \$699.50), including an A1 poster, header card for Murdoch Books silver metal display stand and one pack of recipe cards
- Point of sale available: A1 poster (9787777004837), recipe cards (9787777004912 for one pack of 50 recipe cards), header card for Murdoch Books silver metal display stand (9787777004998)

Author Profile

Luke Nguyen opened his award-winning restaurant, Red Lantern, in 2002 with his sister Pauline and her partner chef Mark Jensen. Luke's TV work includes 'Food Safari' and 'Heat in the Kitchen' and he is also hosting a new series on SBS, commencing on 15th October 2009, called 'Luke Nguyen's Vietnam'.